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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

**AKHILESWAR GANESH
VAIDYANATHAN ET. AL.**

CASE NO.: CL1666USNA

SERIAL NO.: 09/851,674

GROUP ART UNIT: 1631

FILED: MAY 09, 2001

EXAMINER: LIN

FOR: METHOD OF DISCOVERING PATTERNS IN SYMBOL SEQUENCES

Preliminary Amendment

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Introductory Comments

Sir:

This paper accompanies the Request for Continuing Examination filed contemporaneously herewith.

The entry of this amendment and consideration of the amended claims is requested.

Authorization to Charge Deposit Account

Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 04-1928, Deposit Account Name: E. I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company.